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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Science Annex Mass Timber Addition to the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Fair Banks Museum & Planetarium located at 1302 Main Street St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.

The funding would be used to demonstrate mass timber building to provide access to the Science Annex of the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium, create space for STEM-based exhibits, and facilitate co-location with the Community College of Vermont in St. Johnsbury. The project will include the construction of a 6,153 square foot addition onto its National Register of Historic Places-listed 1891 building and the renovation of 1,584 square feet in the existing building. The Science Annex is a three-story addition containing classroom and exhibit space, a stair tower, elevator, and four restrooms. The space will facilitate STEM learning and generate greater visitation to the Fairbanks Museum.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Peter Welch
Member of Congress